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City of Kingston Mayor Steve Noble Lauds Common Council's Proactive Efforts in Passing of Significant Resolutions

Mayor Steve Noble applauded the efforts of the Kingston Common Council members after they cast their votes on Tuesday passing resolutions meant to address timely and critical issues:

RESOLUTION #65 OF 2016 RECOMMENDING APPROVAL FOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2016 POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET

"The modifications described in this resolution allow the Kingston Police Department to consolidate its animal control services in a manner that still meets the needs of our community," stated Mayor Noble. "In addition, the cost savings realized in this consolidation will allow the Police Department to respond to other pressing needs, including the purchase of a Body Worn Camera Systems as part of a pilot project to improve transparency and safety, the equipment and overtime costs necessary to provide support for community festivals and events, and a camera system at our Police Headquarters."

RESOLUTION #100 OF 2016 AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF KINGSTON TO APPLY FOR A CFA GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,350,000 FOR THE WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR CERTAIN WORK AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH SAID GRANT;

RESOLUTION #101 OF 2016 AUTHORIZING AND ADOPTING A BOND ORDINANCE IN THE SUM OF \$2,210,000 FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECTS; and

RESOLUTION #102 OF 2016 BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING \$2,210,000 BONDS TO PAY THE COSTS OF VARIOUS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS

"Critical improvements are necessary at our Wastewater treatment plant and the authorization of this bond will position us for this grant opportunity," stated Mayor Noble.

RESOLUTION #107 OF 2016 AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF 116 WILBUR AVENUE, TAX MAP NO. 56.49-2-17 FROM NANON KOPKO TO THE CITY OF KINGSTON AND RECOMMENDING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION OF ENVIROMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE and

RESOLUTION #108 OF 2016 AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF 116 WILBUR AVENUE TAX MAP NO. 56.49-2-17 TO KINGSTON PRESERVATION, INC. AND RECOMMENDING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE

"I want to thank members of the Common Council who worked with me, as well as our community partners, to find an innovative way to potentially protect and secure a building with historical significance," stated Mayor Noble.

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"This transfer of ownership will include specific stipulations to ensure that this property is stabilized in a timely manner. In addition to the historic preservation benefits of this action, this transfer will save the city's taxpayers \$35,000 in demolition costs."

RESOLUTION #106 OF 2016 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC AUCTION OF PROPERTY AT 85 HONE STREET AND RECOMMENDING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE

"The closure of Rapid Hose was in process for a long time, but even with that extra time, it was a difficult step forward. As a historic city, many of our buildings, like this one, have hundreds of stories to tell. While this will no longer be a fire station, the role this company played in our community's history cannot and will not be forgotten," stated Mayor Noble. "As for the building, I am pleased that with the Council's support to conduct a public auction, it will be repurposed in the future."

RESOLUTION #110 OF 2016 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KINGSTON COMMON COUNCIL TO ADOPT THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE CITY OF KINGSTON

"The adoption of this Comprehensive Plan is one of the single largest steps we can take in order to build a stronger and more successful city," stated Mayor Noble. "Our economic development, housing stock, historic preservation efforts, and all other aspects of our community will be impacted by the adoption of this comprehensive plan. This will be our roadmap in the coming years; the framework for how we plan and implement our projects and a baseline for how we evaluate our success."

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